

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Satoru MIYAMOTO et al.  
Serial No. : not yet assigned  
Filed : concurrently herewith  
Title : TONER FOR USE IN ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHY, IMAGE FORMATION  
METHOD USING THE TONER, METHOD OF PRODUCING THE  
TONER, AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING THE TONER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please amend the above-identified continuation application,  
which is being filed concurrently herewith, as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, between the title and "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION"  
insert

- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

-- This application is a continuation of co-pending prior  
U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/864,596, filed May 24,  
2001, which is a continuation of prior U.S. patent application  
Serial No. 09/384,797, filed August 27, 1999 now abandoned.--

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A cross-reference to applicants' parent and grandparent U.S.  
applications has been inserted as the first sentence of the  
specification in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.78.

Respectfully,

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